## **CIVIL COVER SHEET**

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| I. (a) PLAINTIFFS<br>LUSVIN MIRANDA, JOSE ARMANDO RIVERA, ET AL.   |   |   |                  | DEFENDANTS ROBERT GLENN FALKE dba AMERICAN BLASTING TECHNOLOGY, ROBERT FALKE, BELINDA FALKE and JEFF FALKE INDIVIDUALLY  |  |   |  |
| (b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff HARRIS  (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)   |   |   |                  | County of Residence of First Listed Defendant HARDIN   |  |   |  |
|  |   |   |                  | (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)  NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED.  |  |   |  |
| (c) Attorneys (Firm Name, A<br>MARK SIUREK, WARRE<br>100, HOUSTON, TEXAS   | N & SIUREK, L.L.P.,   | 3334 RICHMOND,  | SUITE            | Attorneys (If Known)   |  |   |  |
| II. BASIS OF JURISDI   | CTION (Place an "X" in O  | ne Box Only)  | III. CI          | TIZENSHIP OF P   | RINCIPAL PARTIES   | (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff  |  |
| ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff  | ★ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)                                      |   |                  | (For Diversity Cases Only) and One Box for Defendant)  PTF DEF  Citizen of This State $\Box$ 1 $\Box$ 1 Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State $\Box$ 4 $\Box$ 4  |  |   |  |
| ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant  | ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)                             |   | Citize           | Citizen of Another State   |  |   |  |
|  |   |   |                  | Citizen or Subject of a 3 3 5 Foreign Nation 6 6 6 Foreign Country   |  |   |  |
| IV. NATURE OF SUIT   |   | ly)<br>PRTS   | FC               | ORFEITURE/PENALTY  | Click here for: Nature of S  BANKRUPTCY  | uit Code Descriptions. OTHER STATUTES   |  |
| □ 110 Insurance □ 120 Marine □ 130 Miller Act □ 140 Negotiable Instrument □ 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment □ 151 Medicare Act □ 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excludes Veterans) □ 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits □ 160 Stockholders' Suits □ 190 Other Contract □ 195 Contract Product Liability □ 196 Franchise   REAL PROPERTY □ 210 Land Condemnation □ 220 Foreclosure □ 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment □ 240 Torts to Land □ 245 Tort Product Liability □ 290 All Other Real Property | PERSONAL INJURY  □ 310 Airplane □ 315 Airplane Product Liability □ 320 Assault, Libel & | PERSONAL INJURY  □ 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability □ 367 Health Care/ Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability □ 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPER □ 370 Other Fraud □ 371 Truth in Lending □ 380 Other Personal Property Damage □ 385 Property Damage □ 380 Other PETITION Habeas Corpus: □ 463 Alien Detainee □ 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence □ 530 General □ 535 Death Penalty Other: □ 540 Mandamus & Othe □ 550 Civil Rights □ 555 Prison Condition □ 560 Civil Detainee - | TY 771           | LABOR  O Conter  LABOR  Fair Labor Standards Act  Labor/Management Relations  Railway Labor Act  Family and Medical Leave Act  Other Labor Litigation  Employee Retirement Income Security Act  IMMIGRATION  Naturalization Application  Other Immigration  Other Immigration  Actions | □ 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 □ 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157  PROPERTY RIGHTS □ 820 Copyrights □ 830 Patent □ 840 Trademark  SOCIAL SECURITY □ 861 HIA (1395f) □ 862 Black Lung (923) □ 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) □ 864 SSID Title XVI □ 865 RSI (405(g))  FEDERAL TAX SUITS □ 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) □ 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609 | □ 375 False Claims Act □ 376 Qui Tam (31 USC □ 3729(a)) □ 400 State Reapportionment □ 410 Antitrust □ 430 Banks and Banking □ 450 Commerce □ 460 Deportation □ 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations □ 480 Consumer Credit □ 490 Cable/Sat TV □ 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange □ 890 Other Statutory Actions □ 891 Agricultural Acts □ 893 Environmental Matters □ 895 Freedom of Information Act □ 896 Arbitration □ 899 Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision □ 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes |  |
|  | noved from 3  | Conditions of<br>Confinement  | J 4 Rein<br>Reop |  | er District Litigatio  | n - Litigation -  |  |
| VI. CAUSE OF ACTION  | IFLSΔ   |   | e filing (L      | Oo not cite jurisdictional stat  |  |   |  |
|  | DEFENDANTS F  | AILED TO PAY PL   |                  | S OVERTIME COM   |  |   |  |
| VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:   |   |   |                  | DEMAND \$ CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:  JURY DEMAND: □ Yes □ No  |  |   |  |
| VIII. RELATED CASE<br>IF ANY   | SE(S) (See instructions): JUDGE   |   |                  | DOCKET NUMBER  |  |   |  |
| DATE 2/2/2017  | SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD /S/ Mark Siurek   |   |                  |  |  |   |  |
| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY  |   |   |                  |  |  |   |  |
| RECEIPT # AN   | MOUNT   | APPLYING IFP  |                  | JUDGE  | MAG. JU  | JDGE  |  |

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS 44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- **I.(a) Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
  - (b) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
  - (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- **II. Jurisdiction.** The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.Cv.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.
  - United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States are included here. United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.
  - Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.
  - Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; **NOTE: federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.**)
- **III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties.** This section of the JS 44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If there are multiple nature of suit codes associated with the case, pick the nature of suit code that is most applicable. Click here for: <a href="Nature of Suit Code Descriptions">Nature of Suit Code Descriptions</a>.
- **V. Origin.** Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.
  - Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.
  - Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.
  - Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.
  - Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date. Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a). Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.
  - Multidistrict Litigation Transfer. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407.
  - Multidistrict Litigation Direct File. (8) Check this box when a multidistrict case is filed in the same district as the Master MDL docket. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS NOT AN ORIGIN CODE 7.** Origin Code 7 was used for historical records and is no longer relevant due to changes in statue.
- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause. **Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.** Example: U.S. Civil Statute: 47 USC 553 Brief Description: Unauthorized reception of cable service
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P. Demand. In this space enter the actual dollar amount being demanded or indicate other demand, such as a preliminary injunction. Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.
- VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS 44 is used to reference related pending cases, if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.